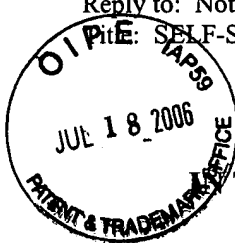


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This is in response to the Notice of Allowance dated April 18, 2006, for which the three-month statutory period for reply was set to expire on July 18, 2006. While it is believed that no additional extension of time or any other additional fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any needed extension of time and to charge any additional fees which may be required for this Response, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1479.

Amendments to the **Drawings** begin on page 2 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.

Entry of the Amendments below and consideration of the Remarks that follow is respectfully requested.